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| 5 | Chandikhole-Jagatpur | 27.8 |
| 5 | Jagatpur-Bhubaneswar | 28 |
| 5 | Bhubaneswar-Khurda | 24.607 |
| 5 | Khurda-Sunakhala | 52.058 |
| 5 | Sunakhala-Ganjam | 21.202 |
| 5A | Road connectivity to major ports Phase II (Paradip Port) | 11 |

Contracts under NHDP Phase II and III

1736. SHRIMATI SHOBHANA BHARTIA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Highways Development Programme has not awarded a single project as it had set a target of awarding about 3000 km. Highway Projects under NHDP Phase II and III during the current year;

(b) if so, what were the main reasons for not awarding a single contract;

(c) the persons responsible for this; and

(d) what action Government propose to take to improve the situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) No, Sir. The National Highways Authority of India has awarded 18 contracts of about 615 km length under the National Highways Development Project during 2006-07 upto 31.10.2006.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Sub-standard work on NH between Panipat and Sonapat

1737. SHRI AMAR SINGH:

SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

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(a) whether Government have received any complaint about the clearance of sub-standard work on the National Highway between Panipat and Sonapat causing a loss of several crores of rupees to the exchequer;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) whether the matter was referred to CBI for investigation and if so, what is the outcome?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) to (c) A complaint was received regarding obtaining contract for maintenance of National Highway No. 1 from km 66 to 95. The case was not referred to CBI by National Highways Authority of India. However, CBI has registered FIR separately.

Maintenance of NHs in NE States

1738. SHRI LALHMING LIANA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the details of expenditure incurred on a new construction, repair and maintenance of National Highways in each of the North Eastern States separately since 2003-04 till date;

(b) whether the Central Government have sanctioned sufficient funds for proper maintenance of National Highways in the North Eastern States; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) Details of expenditure incurred on new construction, repair and maintenance of National Highways in each of the North Eastern States since 2003-04 are given in the enclosed Statement (See below).

(b) Yes, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.